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LARGER WORLD PEPPER

CROP IN 1964 1/

Summary

Production of black and white pepper (*Piper nigrum* L.) for major exporting countries during 1964 is estimated at 173.8 million pounds, 5 percent above the previous year. Output in Asia, which produces over 90 percent of the world crop, was up 10 million pounds. The African crop approximated that of the previous year; however, Latin American production was down from the record 1963 outturn.

Large Indonesian shipments boosted 1963 world exports of black and white pepper to 142 million pounds, 9 percent above the 1962 level. Exports from India were down sharply because of a smaller crop. Reexports of pepper from Malaysia (Malaya and Singapore) during 1963 amounted to 68.5 million pounds, 17 percent above the previous year. Malaysian reexports in 1964 are considerably smaller as a result of the trade embargo with Indonesia, chief supplier of Malaysia's entrepot trade.

Stricter export controls by Indonesia and India strengthened New York wholesale black pepper prices by December to a level of about 10 cents above the 1963 annual average of 33.6 cents per pound. Imports of pepper into the United States -- world's largest importer -- during January-November 1964 totaled 45.5 million pounds, up 10 percent over the similar 1963 period.

1/ This circular contains more detailed information than the summary of similar title published in the World Agricultural Production and Trade Statistical Report of December 1964. In addition, a supplement section is included giving trade data for other spices and flavoring materials.

BLACK AND WHITE PEPPER: Estimated production for major exporting countries, calendar year 1964 with comparisons

Continent and country	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964 ^{1/}
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
Asia:						
Cambodia	2.4	4.4	3.6	2.9	3.1	3.0
India	54.6	62.7	62.5	71.6	63.9	59.5
Indonesia	49.2	57.3	52.9	35.3	55.1	66.1
Malaysia ^{2/}	30.6	16.0	18.0	26.0	25.7	29.0
Total	136.8	140.4	137.0	135.8	147.8	157.6
Africa ^{3/}	1.7	2.4	2.8	2.4	3.0	3.0
Latin America ^{4/}	5.7	8.6	11.0	9.0	14.0	13.2
Grand total	144.2	151.4	150.8	147.2	164.8	173.8

^{1/} Preliminary. ^{2/} Sarawak only. ^{3/} Malagasy Republic only. ^{4/} Brazil only.

BLACK AND WHITE PEPPER: Exports from specified producing countries, 1963 with comparisons

Continent and country	Average 1955-59	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Asia:						
Cambodia	1,978	3,093	2,685	2,934	1,803	1,915
Ceylon	749	261	1,505	63	101	208
India	31,037	34,081	41,295	38,514	55,142	41,736
Indonesia	53,863	93,183	32,025	56,752	38,850	65,000
Malaysia ^{1/}	30,426	18,700	9,181	24,532	25,935	25,627
Total	118,053	149,318	86,691	122,795	121,831	134,486
Africa:						
Cameroon ^{2/}	---	---	---	104	75	^{5/}
Malagasy Republic ...	1,404	1,770	2,304	2,840	2,357	1,989
Nigeria	76	101	257	67	132	^{4/} 393
Total	1,480	1,871	2,561	3,011	2,564	2,382
Latin America ^{3/}	1,642	5,518	4,231	6,470	6,094	5,240
Grand total	121,175	156,707	93,483	132,276	130,489	142,108

^{1/} Sarawak only. ^{2/} Prior to 1961 included with Nigeria. ^{3/} Brazil only.
^{4/} Includes pimento. ^{5/} Not available.

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Production and Trade

Asia: Production in India -- estimated at 59.5 million pounds -- was 7 percent below the 1963 harvest and the smallest crop since 1959. Weather conditions affecting the 1965 crop have improved and preliminary prospects indicate a larger outturn. India's domestic utilization of pepper is rather significant, usually accounting for nearly one-third of the harvest.

The USSR was the largest buyer of Indian pepper in 1963 and again in 1964. Usually the United States has been India's largest customer, but recently U. S. importers have been purchasing lower-priced Indonesian pepper. During 1963 the USSR bought 11.3 million pounds and other Bloc countries 7.9 million, together representing nearly one-half of India's total exports of 41.7 million pounds. Shipments to the USSR and Eastern Europe during January-August 1964 amounted to 8.3 million and 6.2 million pounds, respectively, up slightly over those of the corresponding 1963 period. Exports to the United States during 1963 were only 7 million pounds, compared with 20.1 million the year before. U. S. buying during the first 8 months of 1964 declined further to only 3.1 million, or half of the amount shipped during the January-August 1963 period.

Indonesian production is estimated at 66.1 million pounds, 20 percent above the 1963 crop. Unseasonable rains delayed harvesting of the main South Sumatra crop by several weeks. A significant portion of the total has been bought up by local speculators as a hedge against the rapidly declining value of the Indonesian rupiah.

Indonesia is now exporting pepper direct to world markets instead of via Singapore. Arrivals at U. S. ports, in many cases, have been detained by the U. S. Food and Drug Administration because of mold and rodent contamination; thus requiring additional cleaning and grading at the exporters expense.

A new pepper processing plant has been established in South Sumatra which will have an annual capacity of over 20 million pounds. Before the break in relations with Malaysia, the bulk of the Indonesian crop was processed and marketed by Singapore merchants. In addition, negotiations have been undertaken between the Indonesian Government and a Dutch firm to establish a joint venture for spice marketing. The Dutch would contribute know-how for instruction on grading, shipping, marketing, etc. Exporters would be encouraged to sell to the firm which would be able to insure good quality pepper to meet U. S. import standards.

Exports of black and white pepper during 1963 amounted to 65 million pounds, up 26 million pounds over previous-year levels. The larger shipments were attributed both to increased production and to release of

INDIA: Exports of pepper by country of destination, 1960-64

Country of destination	1960	1961	1962	1963	January - August	
					1963	1964
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:						
Canada	1,631	1,963	3,185	2,637	1,726	1,500
United States	16,042	12,249	20,744	7,058	6,030	3,135
Total	17,673	14,212	23,929	9,695	7,756	4,635
Western Europe:						
EEC:						
Belgium-Luxembourg	60	9	2	---	---	---
France	339	269	730	373	373	103
Germany, West	557	1,192	464	40	34	55
Italy	3,103	3,203	4,042	3,861	2,129	2,068
Netherlands	91	154	156	40	38	17
Subtotal	4,150	4,827	5,394	4,314	2,574	2,243
Other Western Europe:						
United Kingdom	306	106	417	171	132	52
Yugoslavia	1,120	1,139	1,717	1,197	418	540
Total	5,576	6,072	7,528	5,682	3,124	2,835
Eastern Europe and USSR:						
Bulgaria	45	334	483	220	220	496
Czechoslovakia	1,335	1,327	1,717	1,828	1,085	1,702
Germany, East	1,362	654	2,711	2,458	1,980	1,543
Hungary	461	882	1,185	1,036	761	573
Poland	538	706	1,818	1,952	1,246	928
Romania	1,781	2,075	524	429	---	992
USSR	7,652	7,432	6,494	11,289	7,504	8,272
Total	13,174	13,410	14,932	19,212	12,796	14,506
Other:						
Aden	1/	1/	473	423	266	280
Egypt	605	632	2,308	1,395	1,286	409
Iran	1/	388	386	305	194	221
Morocco	352	62	278	42	29	---
Pakistan	1/	916	1,272	1,109	813	829
Singapore	1,208	1,129	1,387	660	426	1,121
Turkey	32	3	358	260	260	13
Not specified	2,675	1,690	2,291	2,953	1,649	2,008
Grand total	41,295	38,514	55,142	41,736	28,599	26,857

1/ Included in not specified.

stocks held over from previous crops. Registered exports during January-June 1964 totaled 24 million pounds, down 3 million from the same 1963 period. On August 31, a minimum export price of approximately 39 cents per pound was put into effect; however, rebates of about 4 to 5 cents per pound were being allowed to U. S. importers.

Malaysia's (Sarawak) crop is estimated at 29 million pounds, over 3 million above the 1963 harvest. Production has been expanding as a result of increased acreage and of more widespread use of fertilizers. Despite efforts to export direct to world markets, the bulk of the crop is still channeled through Singapore. Growers prefer the more flexible credit facilities and the processing and marketing services offered by Singapore merchants.

Usage of the pepper processing plant at Sarikei has continued to increase as has also the use of facilities for storage and short term-credit provided by the Sarawak Development Finance Corporation. The drying installation for use in association with the cleaning and grading plant has met with only limited success, since no differential premium is offered for well-dried pepper.

Exports from Sarawak during 1963 totaled 18.6 million pounds of white pepper and 7 million pounds of black, compared with 10 million and 15.9 million pounds, respectively, in the previous year. Shipments of both black and white pepper during January-October 1964 amounted to 24.1 million pounds, 2.7 million above the similar 1963 period.

Imports of pepper into the States of Singapore and Malaya during 1963 were 67.1 million pounds, compared with 40.7 million during 1962. Because of the trade embargo with Indonesia, (effective since September 21, 1963) January-September 1964 imports into Malaysia have fallen sharply to only 17.7 million pounds, compared with 64.5 million for the first 9 months of 1963.

Reexports from Malaya and Singapore in 1963 -- 68.5 million pounds -- were 17 percent above the previous year. The United States was the largest recipient, taking 30.5 million pounds or nearly 45 percent of the total. The USSR entered the Malaysian pepper market in 1962 and again took substantial quantities in 1963. Reflecting curtailed imports, Malaysian reexports during January-September 1964 amounted to only 23.4 million pounds, compared with 54.3 million pounds for the corresponding 1963 period.

INDONESIA: Exports of black and white pepper by country of destination

Country of destination	1959			1960			1961			1962		
	Black	White		Black	White		Black	White		Black	White	
	: 1,000	: 1,000	: pounds	: 1,000	: 1,000	: pounds	: 1,000	: 1,000	: pounds	: 1,000	: 1,000	: pounds
Belgium-Luxembourg	---	86	:	---	13	:	---	333	:	11	644	:
China (Mainland)	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	---	:	22	46	:
Egypt	278	---	:	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	---	:
France	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	11	:	---	7	:
Germany, West	428	44	:	---	---	:	260	465	:	24	481	:
Hungary	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	46	:
Italy	---	---	:	---	---	:	---	9	:	13	35	:
United Kingdom	20,326	209	:	2,438	697	:	10,842	3,225	:	12,613	3,327	:
United States	1,559	---	:	64	441	:	3,428	240	:	1,316	185	:
USSR	220	---	:	2,205	---	:	---	46	:	---	51	:
Others	18	2	:	---	---	:	---	77	:	---	53	:
Total registered exports	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
less Singapore	22,829	341	:	4,707	1,151	:	14,530	4,406	:	13,999	4,875	:
Registered exports to Singapore	28,543	11,398	:	19,584	1,838	:	21,724	1,400	:	3,580	1,713	:
Unregistered exports to Singapore	28,801	1,271	:	3,436	1,309	:	12,476	2,216	:	8,424	6,259	:
Total	80,173	13,010	:	27,727	4,298	:	48,730	8,022	:	26,003	12,847	:

Official trade statistics of Indonesia and Malaysia.

1/ 1963 export data not available at time of publication.

MALAYSIA, State of Sarawak: Exports of black and white pepper
by country of destination, 1959-63

Country of destination:	1959		1960		1961		1962		1963	
	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Europe:										
EEC:										
Belgium-Luxembourg	---	11	---	5	---	55	---	63	---	186
France	---	6	---	11	46	53	91	156	29	77
Germany, West	45	1,127	---	336	130	1,636	75	2,609	168	6,857
Italy	---	54	---	18	124	25	3	97	5	202
Netherlands	---	188	---	22	54	53	9	101	---	138
Subtotal	45	1,386	---	392	354	1,822	178	3,026	202	7,460
Other Europe:										
Denmark	---	---	---	---	8	4	22	7	11	123
Finland	---	---	---	---	---	29	---	---	---	31
Greece	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ireland	---	3	---	---	---	25	---	27	---	43
Norway	---	---	---	---	16	1	7	4	---	118
Spain	---	---	---	---	22	---	---	---	5	6
Sweden	---	22	---	20	2	26	---	77	22	623
Switzerland	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	2	---	---
United Kingdom	87	1,176	---	189	156	1,479	168	1,684	39	1,719
Total	132	2,587	---	601	558	3,386	375	4,827	279	10,123
North America:										
Canada	11	77	---	34	30	189	3	192	28	100
United States	---	105	---	---	---	---	62	56	9	22
Total	11	182	---	34	30	189	65	248	37	122
Other:										
Australia	---	---	---	---	---	45	---	7	---	9
China (Mainland)	---	---	---	---	---	1	1	4	---	9
Hong Kong	---	1/	9	15	23	35	50	46	85	127
Japan	---	36	---	11	---	108	---	112	---	116
Morocco	386	---	---	---	327	---	285	---	93	---
New Zealand	11	87	4	62	---	93	2	93	---	93
Singapore	3,465	11,747	1,560	6,822	7,799	11,724	9,287	10,054	6,483	7,762
South Africa	---	56	---	56	---	212	---	389	---	266
USSR	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	84	---	22
Not specified	---	---	7	---	2	---	6	---	---	1
Grand total	4,005	14,695	1,580	7,601	8,739	15,793	10,071	15,864	6,977	18,650

1/ Less than 500 pounds.

Annual Trade Statistics of Sarawak.

MALAYSIA: (STATES OF MALAYA AND SINGAPORE)
Imports and exports of black and white pepper by country of origin and destination, 1959-63

Country	1959		1960		1961		1962		1963	
	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
IMPORTS:										
Indonesia:										
Bali and Lombok	23	33	---	22	---	---	---	---	---	---
Bangka and Billiton	---	11,515	309	1,558	---	3,076	112	4,268	56	7,513
Borneo	---	377	30	454	---	---	---	---	---	110
Java	8,357	444	106	697	63	43	134	336	1,401	202
Riouw and Lingga	5	44	2	25	---	340	---	9	5	26
Sumatra	48,959	256	22,573	362	34,137	155	11,758	3,341	39,857	2,209
Other Indonesia	---	---	---	29	---	2	---	18	---	44
Total Indonesia	57,344	12,669	23,020	3,147	34,200	3,616	12,004	7,972	41,319	10,104
Malaysia:										
Brunei	3	102	5	64	5	44	8	50	7	27
Sabah	3	39	1	79	2	138	124	121	12	292
Sarawak	3,566	11,534	1,544	6,642	7,823	11,490	9,447	9,726	6,625	7,906
Total Malaysia	3,572	11,675	1,550	6,785	7,830	11,672	9,579	9,897	6,644	8,225
Other:										
Ceylon	---	---	34	---	---	---	---	---	26	---
India	263	---	1,147	18	1,241	22	1,232	---	800	---
Grand total	61,179	24,344	25,751	9,950	43,271	15,310	22,815	17,869	48,789	18,329
EXPORTS:										
Western Europe:										
EEC:										
Belgium-Luxembourg	43	747	102	358	308	811	255	1,110	325	947
France	89	768	114	542	265	1,230	963	1,528	1,031	1,358
Germany, West	2,194	2,335	1,241	726	1,678	2,446	1,766	3,023	1,550	1,808
Italy	456	417	961	289	758	446	355	397	444	336
Netherlands	750	780	394	432	516	903	519	880	452	610
Subtotal	3,532	5,047	2,812	2,347	3,525	5,836	3,858	6,938	3,802	5,059
Other Western Europe:										
Greece	775	3	508	---	745	3	387	2	581	1
Spain	380	97	788	141	612	197	577	239	750	300
United Kingdom	1,667	9,506	1,703	10,905	892	7,742	976	6,328	1,406	4,423
Others	263	876	208	536	487	938	256	664	286	634
Total	6,617	15,529	6,019	13,929	6,261	14,716	6,054	14,171	6,825	10,417
Eastern Europe and USSR:										
Bulgaria	---	---	10	---	---	---	---	---	441	---
Czechoslovakia	---	---	---	---	---	---	849	---	---	---
Germany, East	---	---	66	---	66	---	---	---	---	---
Romania	---	---	---	---	---	---	865	4	---	---
USSR	---	---	---	---	---	---	2,033	---	3,263	---
Total	---	---	76	---	66	---	3,747	4	3,704	---
North America:										
Canada	459	263	1,047	247	392	304	246	227	445	417
United States	25,166	3,062	13,208	1,566	14,857	2,777	13,389	3,278	27,487	3,008
Total	25,625	3,325	14,255	1,813	15,249	3,081	13,635	3,505	27,932	3,425
Other:										
Australia	334	1,307	302	1,041	399	1,218	374	1,310	383	1,469
Burma	53	18	258	34	496	132	510	167	309	28
Former French Africa	1,761	21	1,730	9	1,582	9	1,593	---	1/	1/
Japan	256	667	540	9	485	1,060	569	1,395	656	1,560
Morocco	2,785	37	1,534	10	3,385	38	3,485	23	2,785	61
Peru	248	8	367	2	687	21	860	28	607	19
South Africa	137	717	147	652	174	448	152	567	200	703
Not specified	5,258	491	4,059	1,230	7,180	559	5,619	590	6,821	557
Grand total	43,074	22,120	29,287	18,729	35,964	21,282	36,598	21,760	50,222	18,239

1/ Included in not specified.

Annual Statistics of Singapore and the States of Malaya.

Africa: Production in the Malagasy Republic is placed at 3 million pounds.

Pepper exports during 1963 amounted to nearly 2 million pounds, down slightly from those of the year before. Over four-fifths of the shipments went to France, most of the remainder to Algeria. Exports during the first 8 months of 1964 amounted to nearly 1.8 million pounds, compared with only 1 million pounds for the similar 1963 period.

Small quantities of pepper are produced and exported from the Western Region of Cameroon and from Nigeria. Pepper exports from the Congo (Leopoldville) have been nonexistent or insignificant in recent years.

Latin America: Production in Brazil is estimated at 13.2 million pounds, down 6 percent. Continued unseasonable heavy rains in the Bragantina area may result in a further reduction in the 1965 crop. Contraband shipments to Surinam still are causing concern among exporters. U.S. import statistics for 1963 and 1964 are much higher when compared with official Brazilian data, indicating contraband shipments are significant. Contraband prices have been more attractive to growers than those offered by local exporters.

Exports during 1963 declined further to 5.2 million pounds, from 6.1 million and 6.5 million pounds in 1962 and 1961, respectively. Shipments to Argentina and the United States -- the largest buyers of Brazilian pepper -- were significantly smaller; however, sales to the EEC (European Economic Community) were up 52 percent. Exports during January-June 1964 totaled 1.5 million pounds, of which 747,000 pounds were destined for Argentina and 260,000 pounds to West Germany.

Consuming Countries

Imports of black and white pepper into the United States during 1963 amounted to 44.2 million pounds, 4.6 million above the previous year. Indonesia was the largest supplier, accounting for three-fourths of the total. India supplied only 19 percent, compared with 53 percent during 1962.

U. S. imports for January-November 1964 totaled 45.5 million pounds exceeding the annual 1963 total by 1.3 million. Increased buying from Indonesia accounted for the rise. Purchases of Indian pepper continued to decline to only about half of the 1963 total. Shipments from Brazil -- 4.7 million pounds -- were at record levels.

Imports of pepper into the United Kingdom in 1963 were 9 million pounds, an increase of 2.1 million pounds over 1962. Canadian imports during 1963 -- 3.8 million pounds -- approximated those of the previous year.

EEC imports in 1963 amounted to 23.3 million pounds, virtually unchanged from 1962 levels. Increased buying by Italy, the Netherlands, and Belgium was offset by smaller purchases by France and West Germany. West Germany is by far the largest importer of the Six -- 41 percent of the 1963 total -- followed by France and Italy with 28 and 20 percent, respectively.

BLACK AND WHITE PEPPER: EEC imports 1961-63

Country	1961	1962	1963
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
Germany, West	9.0	9.8	9.6
France	5.2	7.2	6.5
Italy	4.5	4.5	4.7
Netherlands	1.2	1.1	1.4
Belgium-Luxembourg	.9	1.0	1.1
Total	20.8	23.6	23.3

BRAZIL: Exports of black and white pepper by country of destination, 1958-63

Country of destination	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:						
Canada	---	---	44.1	---	15.4	15.4
United States	557.8	1,909.2	1,250.0	2,573.9	1,741.6	853.2
Total	557.8	1,909.2	1,294.1	2,573.9	1,757.0	868.6
Latin America:						
Argentina	577.6	1,388.9	771.6	1,616.6	2,524.3	1,774.7
Chile	22.0	77.2	17.6	---	---	143.3
Colombia	---	---	---	---	6.6	185.2
Mexico	---	---	---	---	41.9	154.3
Paraguay	---	6.6	---	---	---	8.8
Uruguay	---	17.6	---	---	48.5	176.4
Total	599.6	1,490.3	789.2	1,616.6	2,621.3	2,442.7
Western Europe:						
EEC:						
Belgium-Luxembourg	6.6	22.0	6.6	16.5	41.9	15.4
France	---	---	---	14.3	83.8	476.2
Germany, West	66.1	1,148.6	1,020.7	925.1	734.1	937.0
Italy	---	---	46.3	25.4	26.5	11.0
Netherlands	---	639.3	229.3	238.1	79.4	33.1
Subtotal	72.7	1,809.9	1,302.9	1,219.4	965.7	1,472.7
Other Western Europe:						
Denmark	---	---	---	---	4.4	---
Ireland	---	---	---	4.4	11.0	13.2
Sweden	---	---	48.5	---	---	2.2
United Kingdom	---	282.2	771.6	1,037.3	617.3	440.1
Total	72.7	2,092.1	2,123.0	2,261.1	1,598.4	1,928.2
Eastern Europe and USSR:						
Czechoslovakia	---	---	4.4	6.6	2.2	---
USSR	---	---	---	---	110.2	---
Total	---	---	4.4	6.6	112.4	---
Other:						
Japan	121.3	26.5	8.8	.9	---	---
South Africa	---	---	11.0	11.0	4.4	---
Grand total	1,351.4	5,518.1	4,230.5	6,470.1	6,093.5	5,239.5

UNITED STATES: Imports of unground black and white pepper by country of origin,
1963 with comparisons

Country of origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963	January-November 1963	1964
Black Pepper:							
Brazil	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Ceylon	598	1,191	1,847	1,845	2,154	1,941	4,245
India	579	1,302	56	78	78	67	314
Indonesia	11,855	21,135	11,816	21,139	8,273	7,959	3,747
Malaysia	15,626	12,644	17,179	12,664	29,364	27,461	33,167
Surinam	5,560	678	899	404	332	298	218
Other	---	---	---	---	184	55	99
Total	15	18	4	305	57	56	1/ 356
Value \$1,000	34,233	36,968	31,801	36,435	40,442	37,837	42,146
Value \$1,000	9,331	18,000	13,179	12,004	11,099	10,387	11,430
White Pepper:							
Brazil	23	504	455	62	175	131	479
Ceylon	8	18	---	---	---	---	---
India	2	---	---	44	---	---	---
Indonesia	2,600	2,455	2,890	2,826	3,458	3,357	2,866
Malaysia	225	162	118	179	92	80	14
Other	---	28	---	---	---	---	11
Total	2,858	3,167	3,463	3,111	3,725	3,568	3,370
Value \$1,000	1,073	2,040	1,769	1,273	1,378	1,321	1,178
Total Black and White pepper							
Value \$1,000	37,091	40,135	35,264	39,546	44,167	41,405	45,516
Value \$1,000	10,404	20,040	14,948	13,277	12,477	11,708	12,608

1/ Of which Thailand 112, and Malagasy Republic 187.

BLACK PEPPER: Average wholesale price per pound, bagged, carlots, f.o.b. New York, by months,

Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents
1940.....	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.1
1941.....	4.4	4.7	6.3	6.5	7.2	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.1
1942.....	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6
1943.....	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
1944.....	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	9.4	10.0	10.0	7.5
1945.....	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
1946.....	10.0	10.0	12.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	39.2	51.6	70.5	78.0	82.0	64.7	38.6
1947.....	53.9	54.2	53.7	41.8	31.4	32.6	33.2	35.1	39.8	52.8	54.8	46.4	44.1
1948.....	44.2	42.3	40.7	44.9	47.2	54.9	57.8	73.3	83.8	94.9	82.6	79.9	62.2
1949.....	68.2	67.2	86.3	89.9	89.1	102.5	109.8	134.2	128.5	133.4	131.4	133.4	106.1
1950.....	129.8	144.4	144.8	140.9	140.9	116.9	171.4	265.6	214.4	169.8	151.2	158.5	162.4
1951.....	174.4	189.8	163.4	165.9	163.2	165.5	168.5	177.1	177.0	168.3	165.9	153.5	169.3
1952.....	134.0	144.0	147.5	110.0	131.5	152.0	185.5	177.0	190.0	173.5	162.5	137.0	153.7
1953.....	113.5	122.0	150.0	144.0	146.0	143.0	130.0	125.0	130.0	125.0	95.0	110.0	127.8
1954.....	102.0	92.0	89.0	77.0	69.5	51.0	63.0	102.0	76.0	61.0	50.5	45.5	73.2
1955.....	41.0	46.0	45.0	45.5	49.5	52.8	50.3	45.0	43.5	42.5	39.0	37.8	44.8
1956.....	35.5	33.0	32.0	29.5	28.8	31.0	30.5	36.0	34.0	29.0	30.0	28.5	31.5
1957.....	26.0	29.0	26.0	27.0	28.5	30.5	27.0	27.5	27.0	25.0	25.5	25.8	27.1
1958.....	24.5	23.5	24.5	26.8	26.0	26.3	29.0	28.3	27.5	25.5	26.0	24.3	26.0
1959.....	24.5	25.8	26.0	26.5	25.8	25.8	25.8	29.3	32.3	32.0	40.0	50.5	30.3
1960.....	73.0	60.0	58.0	62.0	54.5	68.0	66.0	58.0	55.0	46.0	55.0	43.0	58.2
1961.....	48.0	46.5	50.0	48.0	47.0	47.8	46.5	45.5	46.0	44.0	40.0	38.0	45.6
1962.....	37.3	36.5	38.5	35.3	34.3	37.0	35.3	35.3	39.0	43.0	35.0	33.0	36.6
1963.....	32.0	34.0	34.0	35.0	33.0	29.5	31.0	33.0	33.0	38.0	36.0	35.0	33.6
1964.....	35.0	33.3	36.0	42.0	39.3	38.3	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.0	41.8		
1965.....													

Compiled from wholesale price bulletins of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Exports of specified spices and flavoring materials by major producing countries, 1963 with comparisons

Country	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
VANILLA BEANS:					
Malagasy Republic ..	855	595	1,290	1,411	644
Tahiti	349	392	492	461	492
Mexico	257	256	227	86	49
Comores	129	176	198	106	456
Reunion	117	68	93	73	132
Indonesia	23	22	51	99	1/
Seychelles	10	17	9	15	5
Dominica	15	2	1	1	1/
Guadeloupe	6	---	---	4	9
Uganda	4	5	6	2	2
Total	1,765	1,533	2,367	2,258	1,789
GINGER ROOT:					
India	12,474	9,106	16,265	15,176	11,066
Nigeria	1,667	2,819	1,819	3,766	5,766
Sierra Leone	2,418	1,237	1,325	1,131	1,313
Jamaica	1,835	1,711	1,511	1,020	1,281
Total	18,394	14,873	20,920	21,093	19,426
CLOVES:					
Tanzania	23,923	27,613	18,634	17,308	25,091
Malagasy Republic ..	10,294	4,026	11,949	9,900	4,533
Total	34,217	31,639	30,583	27,208	29,624
CINNAMON:					
Ceylon	5,581	5,970	6,810	6,515	6,298
Seychelles	1,654	2,196	2,192	2,676	2,251
Total	7,235	8,166	9,002	9,191	8,549
CASSIA:					
Indonesia	14,402	16,942	19,482	24,689	21,162
South Vietnam	1,368	2,202	1,806	450	723
Total	15,770	19,144	21,288	25,139	21,885
NUTMEGS:					
Indonesia	7,467	10,344	7,575	7,915	9,341
Grenada	2,586	1,367	908	1,331	1,581
Ceylon	295	252	153	155	574
St. Vincent	84	62	94	159	1/
Trinidad & Tobago ..	81	85	92	78	1/
St. Lucia	27	1/	1/	1/	1/
Total	10,540	12,110	8,822	9,638	11,496
MACE:					
Indonesia	982	888	977	1,532	1,728
Grenada	256	153	175	322	369
Ceylon	24	29	9	9	37
St. Vincent	14	11	17	25	1/
Trinidad & Tobago ..	4	10	64	3	1/
St. Lucia	4	1/	1/	1/	1/
Total	1,284	1,091	1,242	1,891	2,134

1/ Not available.

United States imports of specified spices and flavoring materials,
1963 with comparisons

Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
VANILLA BEANS:					
France	10	27	7	8	39
French West Indies ...	3	---	2	2	4
Indonesia	22	42	56	129	56
Malagasy Republic	830	733	1,024	1,273	861
Mexico	219	213	200	74	31
Seychelles	3	1	3	5	2
Tahiti	73	19	58	65	62
Uganda	5	7	2	12	2
Other	13	6	---	11	8
Total	1,178	1,048	1,352	1,579	1,065
Value \$1,000	8,184	11,390	7,703	9,380	6,628
TONKA BEANS:					
Brazil	25	45	38	29	27
Trinidad	152	499	94	79	44
Venezuela	193	46	718	311	125
Total	370	590	850	419	196
Value \$1,000	327	607	820	361	168
GINGER ROOT (Unground):					
Cuba	91	111	21	---	---
Fiji Islands	3	20	92	573	422
Hong Kong	41	16	17	---	2
India	922	618	1,316	2,518	604
Jamaica	823	1,103	830	520	452
Nigeria	528	629	531	994	907
Sierra Leone	754	567	822	693	636
Other	112	22	37	83	51
Total	3,274	3,086	3,666	5,381	3,074
Value \$1,000	817	576	655	1,203	858
GINGER ROOT (Candied):					
Australia	---	6	122	181	69
Cuba	363	531	212	---	---
Hong Kong	134	164	118	153	97
Japan	26	49	47	75	57
Taiwan	3	19	41	42	338
Other	8	4	2	2	298
Total	534	773	542	453	859
Value \$1,000	129	189	168	168	240
CLOVES AND CLOVE STEMS:					
Malagasy Republic	1,841	794	1,549	1,882	1,565
Tanzania	445	1,834	178	781	577
Other	22	41	34	38	99
Total	2,308	2,669	1,761	2,701	2,241
Value \$1,000	846	874	537	822	788

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Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
NUTMEGS:					
Ceylon	103	112	39	67	127
India	31	26	---	92	22
Indonesia	2,199	2,579	3,201	3,820	4,250
Leeward Islands	1,415	543	320	356	558
Malaysia	161	234	181	73	119
Netherlands	57	12	27	---	11
Trinidad	102	163	117	100	38
Others	73	1	46	19	---
Total	4,141	3,670	3,931	4,527	5,125
Value \$1,000	3,069	3,674	3,095	2,250	3,039
MACE:					
Ceylon	1	---	---	---	14
Indonesia	420	549	411	521	530
Leeward Islands	27	1	---	33	5
Malaysia	37	44	27	7	---
Netherlands	15	7	4	3	7
Others	9	2	2	1	3
Total	509	603	444	565	559
Value \$1,000	771	754	425	401	460
CINNAMON:					
Ceylon	607	364	342	461	915
East Africa	1	22	22	101	51
Seychelles	273	136	476	390	481
Others	42	48	37	62	28
Total	923	570	877	1,014	1,475
Value \$1,000	503	266	270	381	728
CASSIA:					
Indonesia	10,307	8,570	9,856	12,888	12,830
Netherlands	394	257	---	34	---
Vietnam	1,117	2,272	2,472	522	690
Others	211	56	45	---	23
Total	12,029	11,155	12,373	13,444	13,543
Value \$1,000	2,075	2,834	2,711	2,391	2,324
PIMENTO OR ALLSPICE:					
Guatemala	74	89	101	118	155
Honduras	33	63	102	16	108
Jamaica	873	976	820	1,137	941
Mexico	328	228	170	157	80
Spain	2	---	24	3	---
Total	1,310	1,356	1,217	1,431	1,284
Value \$1,000	736	759	728	877	887

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Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
CAPSICUM OR RED PEPPERS:					
(Unground)					
East Africa	207	249	277	555	323
Italy	16	4	28	10	5
Japan	2,015	2,029	2,673	3,016	3,007
Mexico	2,985	2,560	4,005	4,691	2,946
Nigeria	248	94	252	216	169
Turkey	231	581	310	253	481
Other	119	153	116	15	61
Total	5,821	5,670	7,661	8,756	6,992
Value \$1,000	1,184	1,430	1,903	1,943	1,398
CAPSICUM OR RED PEPPERS:					
(Ground)					
East Africa	---	---	---	33	100
Japan	4	10	2	3	2
Mexico	1	---	---	143	197
Other	49	5	31	6	---
Total	54	15	33	185	299
Value \$1,000	9	4	8	34	57
PAPRIKA:					
Bulgaria	325	651	1,585	1,586	1,309
Czechoslovakia	115	315	608	390	---
Hungary	647	1,318	1,650	393	154
Mexico	---	---	---	155	360
Morocco	196	452	917	1,206	1,142
Portugal	64	55	---	160	99
Romania	171	36	110	358	220
Spain	6,130	4,708	4,306	4,744	5,365
Turkey	12	22	---	13	144
Yugoslavia	797	308	308	460	938
Other	254	245	148	124	350
Total	8,711	8,110	9,632	9,589	10,081
Value \$1,000	2,621	1,933	2,631	2,745	3,125
SAGE:					
Albania	348	432	328	692	700
Germany, West	19	22	20	21	10
Greece	41	68	55	69	42
Italy	77	325	191	143	164
Yugoslavia	1,254	1,324	1,251	1,266	1,795
Other	66	7	15	75	27
Total	1,805	2,178	1,860	2,266	2,738
Value \$1,000	485	563	509	569	678

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Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
ANISE SEED:					
Mexico	81	2	144	166	24
Spain	343	49	107	239	121
Syria	9	---	---	135	108
Turkey	38	83	232	70	68
Others	13	4	41	77	34
Total	484	138	524	687	355
Value \$1,000	94	27	128	172	79
CARAWAY SEED:					
Denmark	59	86	---	---	54
Netherlands	6,422	6,198	6,245	6,168	5,778
Poland	707	308	715	752	885
Others	52	6	19	6	8
Total	7,240	6,598	6,979	6,926	6,725
Value \$1,000	921	1,112	1,105	1,045	1,070
CARDAMON SEED:					
Ceylon	23	24	23	3	11
Guatemala	75	100	91	59	66
India	60	58	79	96	41
Others	2	1	---	4	2
Total	160	183	193	162	120
Value \$1,000	347	419	388	270	174
CELERY SEED:					
France	244	186	185	253	96
India	1,853	2,292	2,645	2,874	3,382
Others	1	---	---	---	33
Total	2,098	2,478	2,830	3,127	3,511
Value \$1,000	365	411	535	715	681
CORIANDER SEED:					
Argentina	126	152	144	403	162
Morocco	1,369	1,882	1,526	1,752	1,697
Romania	464	739	566	353	469
Yugoslavia	257	74	218	57	---
Others	30	6	28	131	---
Total	2,246	2,853	2,482	2,696	2,328
Value \$1,000	148	184	318	206	118
CUMMIN SEED:					
Iran	2,346	2,972	2,170	2,702	2,256
Lebanon	1	---	44	103	24
Syria	2	---	---	140	260
Turkey	97	178	143	18	182
Others	157	268	8	47	14
Total	2,603	3,418	2,365	3,010	2,736
Value \$1,000	418	659	323	404	408

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Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
FENNEL SEED:					
Argentina	55	74	135	60	113
Bulgaria	1	5	94	32	21
India	269	447	413	350	517
Others	91	52	12	22	1
Total	416	578	654	464	652
Value \$1,000	56	72	84	56	82
MUSTARD SEED:					
Canada	27,020	21,743	14,088	9,625	17,603
Denmark	1,856	6,299	23,208	12,143	9,889
Ethiopia	295	185	238	602	448
Italy	368	54	354	344	280
Netherlands	319	7	406	68	2
United Kingdom	543	126	1,467	727	188
Others	50	---	2,458	574	271
Total	30,451	28,414	42,219	24,083	28,681
Value \$1,000	1,633	1,953	3,389	1,655	1,703
MUSTARD SEED: (Ground or prepared)					
France	45	46	55	60	64
Germany, West	45	54	55	42	71
United Kingdom	781	796	943	947	877
Others	15	14	26	20	20
Total	886	910	1,079	1,069	1,032
Value \$1,000	586	373	420	486	466
ORIGANUM LEAVES: 1/					
France	193	264	129	358	269
Greece	573	1,002	1,138	1,776	977
Italy	201	111	3	34	1
Mexico	606	338	1,278	1,047	865
Peru	73	60	73	33	43
Portugal	26	39	41	91	24
Turkey	---	418	422	340	422
Others	69	78	94	164	45
Total	1,741	2,310	3,178	3,843	2,646
Value \$1,000	274	374	480	849	554
LAUREL LEAVES:					
Greece	112	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Portugal	45	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Turkey	235	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Yugoslavia	40	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Other	3	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Total	435	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Value \$1,000	54	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)

1/ 1960 through 1963 includes Laurel leaves.

2/ Included with Origanum leaves.

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United States imports of specified spices and flavoring materials,
1963 with comparisons

Origin	Average 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
TUMERIC:					
Haiti	98	119	198	208	55
India	1,665	1,777	1,921	2,245	2,145
Jamaica	160	48	249	45	23
Peru	71	57	47	252	278
Taiwan	---	276	188	201	171
Other	20	22	---	158	---
Total	2,014	2,299	2,603	3,109	2,672
Value \$1,000 :	309	340	350	434	431